

# City Council Regular Meeting Tuesday, November 21, 2006 7:00 P.M.

The regularly scheduled meeting of the Trinity City Council was held on Tuesday, November 21, 2006 at the Trinity Memorial United Methodist Church. A quorum was present.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Mayor Frances Andrews, Council members Karen Bridges, Barbara Ewings, Barry Lambeth, Dwight Meredith, Edith Reddick, and Miles Talbert.

MEMBERS ABSENT: Council members Bob Labonte, and Phil Brown

**OTHERS PRESENT:** City Manager Ann Bailie; City Attorney, Bob Wilhoit; City Planning/Zoning Administrator, Adam Stumb; City Clerk/FO, Debbie Hinson; Randy McNeill, Davis-Martin-Powell and Associates; Members of the Press; and other interested parties.

#### Call to Order

Mayor Andrews called the November 21, 2006 Regular Meeting of the Trinity City Council to order at 7:02 pm.

#### Pledge of Allegiance

Mayor Andrews led the Pledge of Allegiance.

#### Invocation

The invocation was given by Council member Lambeth.

#### Welcome Guest and Visitors

Mayor Andrews welcomed and thanked all persons in attendance and for their interest in the City.

# **Public Concerns and Commendations**

Mayor Andrews opened the floor to public comments and commendations to any person wishing to address Council on matters not scheduled as public hearings.

None

# **Opening Comments from Members of Council**

None

#### Reports

# 1. Audit Report (Gibson & Co., P.A.)

Mayor Andrews opened this item and introduced Mr. Craig Hopkins, auditor with Gibson and Company. After introduction, Mayor Andrews turned the discussion over to Mr. Hopkins who at that time introduced Mr. Monte Pendry who assisted him in performing the annual audit for the City.

Mr. Hopkins advised Council that the City had received the highest rating of an Unqualified Opinion that contained no exceptions from his firm. He discussed the balance sheet section on page 15 advising Council this reflected the assets and liabilities as well as net fund balances. This shows that the City has 7.8 million dollars in cash in the General Fund. There is approximately \$140,000.00 due in accounts payable. The Fund Balance is the residual that is left over. Three (3) portions that make up this Fund Balance is the State Statute requirement of \$570,000.00, Powell Bill Reserves of approximately 1.3 million, and the Unreserved Fund Balance of 5.9 million dollars. The General Fund shows 2.1 million dollars in revenues, and expenditures of \$773,000.00 and illustrates revenues over expenditures of approximately 1.3 million dollars. There were net transfers out of the General Fund to the Sewer Fund of approximately 1.8 million dollars, leaving a net decrease in the General Fund Balance of approximately \$519,000.00. The Statement of Net Assets for the Sewer Fund is shown on page 19. The largest number on this page is the current net assets of approximately 4.8 million dollars. This is an increase over the prior year of approximately 1.6 million

dollars that relates to the Construction in Progress of the Capital Projects. The Statement of Revenues for the Sewer Fund is shown on page 20. The total operating revenues were \$120,000.00, total operating expenses of approximately \$76,000.00, contribution of State Grant for \$241,000.00, and transfers received from the General Fund of approximately 1.8 million dollars. This illustrates a net increase in net assets for the Sewer Fund of approximately 2.1 million dollars. Notes to the Financial Statement are located on Pages 22 -32 and reflect no major changes from the prior year. The overview of the Sewer Capital Project Funds can be found on page 40. The revenues shown for this year are \$241,000.00, with a total to date revenue of 2.6 million. The expenditures for this year were \$478,000.00, with a total to date for all of the Phases just over 3 million dollars. The analysis of the current tax levy can be found on page 43. The City of Trinity collected \$222,000.00 this fiscal year in total levy that included property, real property and vehicle tax with a collection rate of 99.16 % as compared to the State average of 97%. The Compliance Section is located on page 44. When expenditures exceed \$100,000 a Yellow Book audit and opinion are required on our findings on internal controls. We noted no matters involving the internal control over financial reporting and its operation that we consider to be material weakness. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance or other matters that are required to be reported under Government Auditing Standards. This again represents a clean or best opinion that the City could receive.

In closing Mr. Hopkins thanked the City of Trinity for allowing his firm to work with them. He also thanked Manager Bailie, Debbie Hinson, and Diana Schreiber for their assistance during the audit. The accounts were in great shape and minimal adjustments were needed. Everything we reviewed was well documented.

With no questions from Council members, Mayor Andrews called for a motion to approve the audit report.

Motion by Council member Meredith to approve the Audit for fiscal year 2006, seconded by Council member Ewings and approved unanimously by all Council members present.

2. Wastewater Projects Update (Randy McNeill, Davis-Martin-Powell & Assoc.)

Mr. McNeill discussed the Wastewater Projects highlighting the following sections;

**Colonial Heights:** The contractor is in process of finding a leak in one area of the infrastructure. His efforts to find this leak will probably be delayed due to the rain that has occurred. When this one leak is repaired the system will be ready to go.

**Darr Rd:** Pump station structure and valve vault have been installed, 60% of gravity sewer and 50% of forcemain has been installed. The contractor has 2 crews installing pipeline daily.

**Phase 2:** A preconstruction meeting has been conducted and the notice to proceed is December 01, 2006. The contractor expects to begin with 1 crew and add 2 additional crews as work progresses.

**Cold Brook Ct-:** The contractor had planned to begin this project on Friday. This will be a 3 day project once work begins. Due to the weather, it will probably be Monday before the contractor can begin.

# **Public Hearings**

3. Rezoning – Case # Z06-07 – Colonial Charter LLC requests rezoning 9.87 acres at NC Hwy. 62 and Colonial Cir. from RA to R-40 and HC (Highway Commercial)

Mayor Andrews opened the Public Hearing and called on Mr. Stumb for briefing.

Mr. Stumb advised Council this parcel consisted of  $\pm$  9.98 acres along NC Highway 62. He discussed the earlier rezoning for this property that was done approximately 1 ½ years ago. The applicants at that time had requested this area be zoned Multi-Family but did not have a site plan for Council to consider. This section of property was deleted from the request and no rezoning was done at that time on this property.

The current property owner wants this property rezoned from RA (Residential Agriculture) to R-40, and a request for the small portion located along the front of the property to be rezoned to commercial. The request for the small portion serves only to straighten the property lines with the adjoining commercial property. The major change for this request is the change in zoning from RA to R-40.

Planning Recommendation: Planning Board recommended approval of this request at their October Meeting.

# Speaking for the request

**Gary Loflin:** Mr. Loflin discussed with Council members the reason the lake on this property was drained. He advised members that the State thought this was a stand pipe lake even though we had evidence it was a spill way lake. They made us dig down 1 foot at the time to try to locate the stand pipe. During this process the core of the lake was broken and could not be repaired.

Mr. Loflin advised Council he was requesting a rezoning from RA to R-40. There will be approximately 6 lots in this area and where he planned to build his home and allow other family members to develop as well. We could not make our plans work with RA Zoning and that is why we have requested the change.

# **Speaking against the request:**

None

Staff Recommendation: Recommends approval of the rezoning as requested.

There was discussion concerning drainage problems that Council member Talbert had noticed in his neighborhood creek since the draining of the lake property. Mr. Stumb and Manager Bailie advised Council member Talbert that this request was only for rezoning and that the site plan approval process should address drainage concerns.

Motion by Council member Lambeth to approve the request seconded by Council member Meredith and approved unanimously by all Council members present.

4. Zoning Text Amendment – Outdoor Shooting Ranges. Consider amendment to remove outdoor shooting ranges from the schedule of permitted uses in the R-40 zoning district, making it permitted only by special use in RA and M-1 (Heavy Manufacturing) zoning districts.

Mayor Andrews opened the Public Hearing and asked Mr. Stumb to brief Council on this request.

Mr. Stumb advised Council this text amendment was to remove Outdoor Shooting Ranges from R-40 zoning district completely and to allow this use in RA and M1 zoning districts only.

**Staff and Planning Recommendation**: Both Planning and Staff recommend this use be allowed in RA and M1 districts only with SU Permit and delete this use in the R-40 zoning district.

With no others speaking for or against the request, Mayor Andrews closed the Public Hearing.

After a brief discussion concerning the need for this use in M1, Council member Bridges made a motion to approve the request to delete this use in R-40 as requested and to delete the use in M1 as well, seconded by Council member Talbert and approved 4 to 2 with Council members Lambeth and Meredith voting Nay.

 Zoning Text Amendment – Traffic Analysis. Consider amendment to allow City to request developer to obtain DOT preliminary review and proposed traffic counts for certain developments.

Mayor Andrews opened the Public Hearing and called on Mr. Stumb to brief Council.

Mr. Stumb advised Council this amendment was done in an effort to request the developer to obtain some type of preliminary DOT <a href="mailto:approval">approval</a> for larger developments such as major subdivisions, Special Use Permit, Conditional Rezoning, Multi-Family development and larger commercial development. This language will allow staff, Planning Board, or Council to request this information from a developer if they feel this is warranted prior to consideration for approval. The impact of the increased traffic and the requested use would be determination factors for this request.

Mayor Andrews opened the Public Hearing for anyone who wished to speak for or against the request. Hearing none, Mayor Andrews called for Staff and Planning Board recommendations.

Staff and Planning Recommendations: Both Staff and the Planning Board recommends approval of this amendment.

Mayor Andrews closed the Public Hearing and turned the request over to Council for discussion and or action.

Council members discussed the wording in the text as well as what would determine the triggers for this type of request. Council also discussed NCDOT'S role in determining the ingress and egress of a development as well as when the final determination from NCDOT was given. Attorney Wilhoit called on Mr. McNeill, City Engineer to address the timing of NCDOT for approval of ingress and egress to a project. Mr. McNeill advised Council that this was one of the last things done and was usually done after the completion of the final plan. It was Mr. McNeill's feeling that because of this NCDOT would probably not give an approval to the proposed developer but may be willing to review the proposed ingress and egress prior to the final submission of a plan for comment.

Council discussed the language included in the text and the fact that it did not indicate this was something that would be required from every development. After further discussion regarding the language used in the amendment, Council member Lambeth made a motion to approve the Text Amendment with a wording change; replace the word approve with review, seconded by Council member Ewings and was approved 4 to 2 with Council members Meredith and Talbert voting Nay.

# 6. Zoning Text Amendment - Signage Regulation in HC zoning District.

Mayor Andrews opened the Public Hearing and called on Mr. Stumb to brief Council.

Mr. Stumb advised Council this amendment was to make the changes discussed by Council earlier for signage size in the Highway Commercial District from 100 feet in surface area to 50 feet in surface area and a change in maximum height from 30 feet to 15 feet maximum height.

Mayor Andrews opened the Public Hearing for anyone who wished to speak for or against the request. Hearing none, Mayor Andrews called for Staff and Planning Board recommendations.

Staff and Planning Recommendations: Both Staff and the Planning Board recommends approval of this amendment.

Mayor Andrews closed the Public Hearing and turned the request over to Council for discussion and or action.

Motion by Council member Reddick to approve the text amendment as recommended by staff and Planning Board, seconded by Council member Lambeth and approved unanimously by all Council members present.

- CDBG Application receive comments about Community Development Block Grant application
  proposed to be submitted by City to secure funds to connect eligible individual single-family dwellings
  to sewer lines.
  - A. Consider CDBG application submittal
  - B. Consider expanding eligibility for CDBG Hook-Up grant applicants

Prior to opening the Public Hearing, Mayor Andrews called on Mr. Steve Austin to brief Council on this item.

Mr. Steve Austin- Benchmark CMR: Mr. Austin explained to Council that this was an application to apply grant monies available for hook ups to water and sewer projects. The Hook-Up program was designed to work with communities to help low and moderate income residents pay the expense to tie onto the system. An agency may apply for up to \$75,000.00. City Manager Bailie has identified 11 persons that may meet the standards set for this program and has tentatively applied for \$50,000.00. There is no match money with this grant. It is federal money made available to the state and is used for the purpose of paying for hook up to water and sewer systems for those who qualify.

Mayor Andrews opened the Public Hearing and called on Mr. Austin to address Item 7-A. Mayor Andrews opened the Public Hearing to anyone who may have questions concerning this item.

Council member Talbert asked how Mr. Austin became involved in this process. Mr. Austin advised Council members that staff had asked his firm to prepare the application for the City.

# A. Consider CDBG application submittal

Mr. Austin advised Council members that the application cycle for this grant was announced approximately 3 months earlier. This process closes December 05, 2006. The City Manager called and placed the City of Trinity on the reserve list of funds to allow the City time to look at the application process. December 05, 2006 is the deadline to get the application submitted. If the application is submitted it is almost an assurance that the City will be funded.

Council member Lambeth discussed the application already prepared for the CDBG by this firm. Council member Bridges stated this application was just for the \$50,000.00 in funds requested by the Manager. If the City considers extending the eligibility is this for the next round of funding?

Manager Bailie advised Council it was her recommendation that expanded eligibility, if approved by the Council, be used for Phase 2. I have identified 11 residents in the Colonial Heights and Country Meadows area that may be eligible for funding from the \$50,000.

Mayor Andrews closed the Public Hearing and opened this item to Council for further discussion and or action.

At this time, Council member Bridges made a motion that Council approve the CDBG Application Submittal, seconded by Council member Ewings, and approved unanimously by all Council members present.

# B. Consider expanding eligibility for CDBG Hook-Up grant applicants

Mayor Andrews opened this time and asked Manager Bailie to address Council concerning this item.

Manager Bailie advised Council that the decision to get involved in the Hook-up Grant program was approved by the Council in September 2005. At that time the Council agreed to identify very low income residents for possible financial assistance. There are three (3) different thresholds. We were not sure of the number of respondents we would receive in response to our survey. Since we only received 11 applications, it is my recommendation to raise the threshold eligibility to include low income residents per HUD standards.

There was a brief discussion concerning the number that may qualify if the standards were changed. Manager Bailie advised Council that staff would send out survey letters in the Phase 2 project explaining the program to residents and what the thresholds were for pre-qualification. If the residents feel they qualify they will file a preliminary application. This application will be reviewed to make sure the resident does meet the standards to qualify for the Grant. We advise residents at the time the application is submitted that if the City does not receive the grant funds that this option will not be available to them. The City must receive the grant funds to provide this funding source.

Motion by Council member Ewings to pursue changing the very low income to low income and expanding the eligibility for the CDBG Hook-UP Grant, seconded by Council member Meredith, and approved unanimously by all Council members present.

# 8. Ordinance adopting Code of Ordinances 160A-77

Mayor Andrews opened this item and called on Manager Bailie for briefing and comments prior to the Public Hearing.

Manager Bailie discussed the process of review to the City's existing Ordinances done by City Council approximately 6 months ago in preparation for Codification. We have received a Code of Ordinances back from the firm providing the Codification Service and it would be appropriate to adopt an Ordinance adopting the Code of Ordinances for the City of Trinity.

Manager Bailie and Council briefly discussed the changes made. Manager Bailie advised Council no changes were made to the reviewed document except those changes needed to make this a legal document, as well as adding cross references to the document.

Attorney Wilhoit advised Council that adoption of this would put the City into compliance with GS 160A-77. This is required for entities with 5,000 or more in population.

At this time Mayor Andrews opened the Public Hearing to anyone who wished to speak for or against this item.

Hearing none, Mayor Andrews closed the Public Hearing and turned the item over to Council for discussion and or action.

Motion by Council member Bridges to adopt the Ordinance adopting the Code of Ordinances for the City of Trinity, seconded by Council member Reddick and approved unanimously by all Council members present.

# Consent Agenda

Mayor Andrews opened this item and called for any changes, corrections or additions to the minutes listed on the Consent Agenda. Hearing none, Mayor Andrews called for a motion to approve the Consent Agenda.

- 9. Consideration of minutes: Oct. 10, 2006 Pre-agenda Meeting
- 10. Consideration of minutes: Oct. 17, 2006 Regular City Council Meeting

Motion by Council member Talbert to approve the Consent Agenda as presented, seconded by Council member Meredith and approved unanimously by all Council members present.

#### **Unfinished Business**

None

#### **New Business**

# 11. Consider Resolution Fixing Date of Public Hearing for Morris Rd. Annexation Request

Mayor Andrews opened this item and advised Council members that it had been suggested that Council consider setting January 16, 2007 for the Public Hearing date. Mayor Andrews called for discussion from Council members.

Council member Lambeth asked for clarification of discussion concerning this item that took place at the Pre-Agenda Meeting.

Manager Bailie advised Council that they did not have to take action on this item directly after the Public Hearing.

Council member Lambeth discussed the general consensus at the Pre-Agenda concerning the need to have ample time for discussion on this item.

Manager Bailie encouraged anyone with questions to get with her prior to the Public Hearing to allow her to address concerns or issues they may have concerning this request.

Motion by Council member Bridges to set January 16, 2007 as the date for the Public Hearing for the Morris Road Annexation, seconded by Council member Lambeth and approved unanimously by all Council members present.

#### 12. Amendments to Benefits Schedule

Mayor Andrews opened this item and asked Council to review each individual item in an effort to discuss any question or concerns prior to consideration of the entire package.

There was discussion between Council members, Manager Bailie, and Ms. Hinson concerning the minimum number of hours that must be worked to become eligible for insurance. Ms. Hinson explained that it was up to the employer to determine the definition and number of hours required to become eligible for insurance benefits in North Carolina. She said the City's provider advised that medical, dental, vision and life insurance could be made available for employees who worked at least 20 hours per week, but that short-term disability insurance was only available for employees who worked 30 hours or more per week. Council member Bridges asked if all the expense shown on the proposed schedule were pro-rated. Ms. Hinson advised Council all benefits were pro-rated based on the number of hours worked by the employee.

Council member Talbert discussed his experience of benefits options to part –time workers and was not aware of anyone who offered these types of benefits to part- time employees.

There was further discussion between Mayor Andrews, Manager Bailie and Council members concerning the number of positions with the City of Trinity that this might affect. Manager Bailie advised Council the City had one (1) regular part-time employee that currently works 20 to 25 hours per week.

After further discussion, Council member Talbert made a motion to table this item until the Annual Council Retreat, seconded by Council member Meredith.

Prior to the vote, Council member Lambeth and Council member Reddick discussed the importance that all Council members have the opportunity to discuss and review this proposal and agreed that discussion on this item should be tabled until all Council members were present.

After the discussion the motion to table and second were approved with a 5 to 1 vote with Council member Bridges voting Nay.

# 13. Amendments to Fee Schedule

Mayor Andrews opened this item and called on Mr. Stumb for briefing.

Mr. Stumb reviewed the following changes with Council members.

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| Development Ordinance (includes 11x17 zoning map)   | \$20  |
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| Land Development Plan (includes 11x17 land use map) | \$ 20 |

Zoning Maps \$10.00 flat fee deleted and replaced with the following fees:

Map 8.5" x 11" \$ 1.00 Map 11" x 17" \$ 3.00 Map 24" x 24" or 36" \$ 5.00

After the review, Motion to approve the changes as discussed by Council member Talbert, seconded by Council member Ewings, and approved unanimously by all Council members present.

# 14. Consider amendment to Phase 2 Sewer Contract with Davis-Martin-Powell & Assoc., Inc. to increase budget for engineering and technical services

Mayor Andrews opened this item and turned discussion over to Mr. McNeill.

Mr. McNeill discussed with Council the process of using GIS to determine the number of easements that may be required for a project. Using this system we estimated 50 to 60 parcels we needed to acquire easements from. The actual number has turned out to be 88. He discussed the difficulty in determining a firm price when you can not determine the exact number of man hours needed to complete this process. Our costs to date are \$35,000.00 and our recommendation is to set the ceiling at \$45,000.00. We feel this will cover additional costs and would eliminate a future request for additional monies.

After a brief discussion between Mr. McNeill and Council members concerning the easement and costs that would be associated with the location of a Pump Station if the Morris Road property was not annexed, Council member Talbert made a motion to set the ceiling for this project as recommended to \$45,000.00, seconded by Council member Meredith and approved 4 to 2 with Council members Bridges and Reddick voting Nay.

# 15. Budget Amendment: Grant/Bond Capital Project Ordinance - Phase 2 Sewer

After Mayor Andrews opened this item, Manager Bailie discussed the Budget Amendment for the Phase 2 Project. This amendment increases the overall budget for this project by \$20,000.00. It includes an expense item for Interest on Loans in the amount of \$114,000.00. Instead of increasing the budget by this amount we have made adjustments within the current budget by decreasing Engineering, Property and ROW Easements, Construction, and Contingency. An increase was made to Revenues from Other Sources, Legal and Right of Way Agent Services, and Bond Payment Interest.

The adjusted amount has been approved by the LGC and USDA. This is a bookkeeping amendment for this project.

Motion by Council member Talbert to approve the Budget Amendment as presented, seconded by Council member Ewings and approved unanimously by all Council members present.

# BUSINESS AND CLOSING COMMENTS FROM MAYOR AND COUNCIL

# **Comments from Mayor Andrews**

## Happy Holiday

Mayor Andrews wished everyone a happy and safe Thanksgiving.

# **Community Park**

The friends of Trinity are in the process of extending the Community Park to be completed by Spring. There will be three (3) picnic areas located in the extension with grills for area residents to make use of.

# **Christmas Tree Lighting**

The Friends of Trinity will be having the Christmas Tree Lighting Ceremony at the Community Park on December 03, 2006. We will also have the Archdale/Trinity Band giving a concert in the Braxton Craven Gym. We hope to have a group from St. Mary's to perform with dancing and singing as well as a performance by the Trinity High School Choral Group.

# **Council Comments**

#### **Safety Committee**

Council member Reddick discussed the proposed Safety Committee that the Council had tabled at the Pre-Agenda Meeting. She asked that Council remember that any Boards or Committees appointed or formed by Council were recommending bodies only and that Council was responsible for the final decision concerning any item recommended by any board.

In light of what has happened with the tornados that struck all around us I would like to see some one other than me take this up and try to form some type of Safety Committee for our citizens. Just like the excessive rain tonight, we do not know what could happen. We have nothing in place. Randolph County has advised me that the first public shelter they would open if something happened would be located in Asheboro. I believe this is something that we as a City and Council need to look into.

Council member Talbert asked Brian Cox, Fire Chief, Guil-Rand Fire Department for comments. Mr. Cox advised Council that the City of Archdale was discussing the same issue. We would be willing to serve on your committee to help the City put something together. I think it would be a wise decision for the City to do something like this.

Council member Talbert asked Mr. Cox if there were any former programs they could present to the City. Mr. Cox advised Council that they had the County program as discussed by Council member Reddick. There are places in Archdale if something were to happen on this end of town that we feel like we could have opened as a temporary shelters. There are places inside the City of Trinity as well that could serve as shelters.

Council member Lambeth stated that the major part of Mr. Cox's comments was that there are shelters in Trinity but not scheduled to open. That is what I looked at. It is the immediate needs that are here next to home, not in Asheboro.

Council member Reddick discussed staff's efforts to get something together to address this. Council member Lambeth discussed the purpose of Council in relation to the residents. We are here to help our citizens and we sometimes get our feelings and opinions in the discussion and cause beauracatic red tape that stops us from thinking about what we need to be doing for our citizens.

Mayor Andrews discussed conversation held at the Pre-Agenda meeting. It was the next night that the storm and tornado warnings were issued for this area. Unfortunately it hit the Regalwood area. She discussed the need to continue with the effort of addressing a Safety Committee.

Mr. Cox discussed the Emergency Plan provided by the County. It was his feelings that if there were a disaster inside the City of Trinity that we would be on our own for a good while.

There was further discussion between Council members concerning the need for the Safety Committee and the need to address this issue.

# **Business from City Manager**

Manager Bailie discussed the following items:

#### manager Barrie Giseas.

NCDOT

Manager Bailie advised Council that she spoke with NCDOT earlier in the week concerning the speed study along NC Highway 62 to reduce the speed limit from 55mph to another speed. I was also advised that although the posted speed limit on Welborn Road is 55 mph, in January, 2003 ordinances were executed lowering the speed limit to 50 mph. Mr. Jerry Porter with NCDOT advised that he was not sure why this change was never taken to Raleigh and implemented. He is going to see that this is done and lower the speed limit to 50 mph on Welborn Road. He is not interested in reducing the speed to 45 mph at this time. He is also going to look at Hopewell Church Road/Surrett Dr. at NC Highway 62, both northbound and southbound, and the intersections of Hopewell Church Rd. and the Interstate. I was also advised that when the improvements were made to Eden Terrace at Surrett, NCDOT was going to put in turning lanes at Mendenhall and Surrett.

#### **Land Development Plan**

The Planning/Zoning Board approved the Land Development Plan at a Special Called Meeting last night. If there are no objections we will schedule a Public Hearing for the December Meeting of Council to continue with this process.

Mayor Andrews called for consensus of Council.

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It was the consensus of Council for Manager Bailie to schedule a Public Hearing in December for the Land Use Plan.

#### **Final Downtown Designs**

Manager Bailie advised Council that the A&T Students would be presenting their final designs for New and Old Town on Tuesday December 05, 2006, 7:00 pm here at the church.

## **Board Appointments**

Board appointments will be on your December Agenda. We are advertising for volunteers to submit applications to serve on the Boards. There are openings in all four (4) Wards on the Infrastructure Committee. There are openings in three (3) of the four (4) Wards on the Planning/Zoning Board. I believe that all persons currently serving and whose seats are open are eligible for reappointment. We have forwarded reappointment forms to current members.

# **Guil-Rand Fire Department Grand Opening**

Manager Bailie advised members of the Grand Opening for the Guil-Rand Fire Station located on Welborn Road.

Mr. Brian Cox, Fire Chief, Guil-Rand: Mr. Cox stated that he was happy to advise members that the City of Trinity now had two (2) Guil-Rand Fire Stations in their city limits. They are now open and operating . We will be having our Grand Opening at the Welborn Road location on December 09, 2006 from 11:00 am to 2:00 pm and hope to see Mayor Andrews, City Council members, City Manager and City Staff there. He discussed other persons that had been invited to attend this opening as well. Mr. Cox thanked the City of Trinity for allowing Guil-Rand to be a part of this growing City. We want to be pro-active not re-active.

# **Adjournment**

With no other business to discuss, Council member Talbert made a motion to adjourn the November 21, 2006 Regularly Scheduled Meeting of the City Council at 8:42 pm, seconded by Council member Ewings and approved unanimously by all Council members present.

These minutes were approved as written at the December 19, 2006 Regularly Scheduled City Council Meeting upon

motion by Council member Reddick, seconded by Council member Ewings and approved unanimously by all Council members present.

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